

February 25, 2005

Dear Property Owner,

This letter is to advise you that the Newton Planning Commission is seeking your input and comment on a land use and development plan that we are preparing for the Southeast Area of the City and its Extraterritorial Planning Jurisdiction that includes property which you own.

You are invited to an informal “drop in” workshop beginning at 4 P.M. and continuing until 8 P.M. in the Gantt Community Room in the basement of City Hall on March 17, 2005 to view maps, demographic information, as well as issues that have been identified by the staff that are relevant to the study area.

The Planning Commission and City Planning Staff have been accumulating and analyzing information about the study area, (**see map on the reverse side**), to determine issues which need to be addressed.

The plan is necessary to guide development properly and to ensure that appropriate services are in place to accommodate and direct development to appropriate locations. There are expected to be considerable pressures as a result of the construction of the Newton-Conover Loop project to the north of the area and in the future when the loop is extended from NC Hwy 16 South to US 321-Business. The challenge facing the Planning Commission, and you as a property owner, is to determine what is best for the area in terms of land use, utility extensions, future street extensions, recreation and open space opportunities, economic development and community character.

City staff along with members of the Planning Commission will be present to talk to you, answer your questions and assist you in documenting your concerns, ideas, and opinions as they relate to the planning area.

If you cannot attend, please feel free to contact either Alex Fulbright, AICP or Glenn Pattishall, AICP at 828-695-4305, or by mail at the above address or by email at afulbright@newtonnc.gov.

The City of Newton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the provision of its services as charged by the City Council of the City of Newton. All meetings are held in accessible facilities. Any person with a disability needing special accommodations should contact Glenn J. Pattishall, ADA Coordinator at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

Sincerely,

Brevard Arndt, Chairman
Newton Planning Commission



SOUTHEAST AREA PLAN

